

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 22 February 2006 at 7:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Court Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Douglas Bennett, Brian Chadwick, Michael Glowacki, Bruce Watts and Whiting Willauer. Chairman Glowacki called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Announcements. Chairman Glowacki noted today's rededication of the Heartsafe Community Program inspired by the late Charles Flanagan. Department of Public Works Director Jeff Willett announced cobblestone repair work to lower Main Street beginning early next month for completion by March 10th.

Public Comment. None.

Approval of Minutes of 15 February 2006 at 4:00 PM. The Board approved the minutes by unanimous consent.

Approval of Payroll Warrant for Week Ending 19 February 2006. The Board approved the payroll warrant by unanimous consent.

Approval of Treasury Warrant and Pending Contracts for Week Ending 22 February 2006. The Board approved the treasury warrant and pending contracts by unanimous consent.

Town Administrator's Report

FY 2007 General Fund Budget: Update and Review of Status. Town Administrator Libby Gibson and Finance Director Connie Voges provided an update of current projections for the operating budget; reviewed General Fund expenses, noting required commitments and lack of flexibility unless program cuts occur; reviewed supplemental and capital requests; gave an overview of General Fund revenue, noted detail for local revenue and gave an updated projection for and explanation of free cash. Ms. Voges reviewed the Free Cash Use policy adopted by the Board in August 2005. Ms. Gibson gave an overview of the Board recommended budget and Ms. Voges addressed the effect on tax rate and tax bills. Ms. Gibson reviewed next steps. Chairman Glowacki acknowledged the presence of the Finance and School Committees and noted the interest in working together and opportunities for cooperation and consultation among those committees and the Board of Selectmen. Finance Committee Chairman Rick Atherton reviewed recent activity of the committee and commented about the process.

Request for Letter of Support. Ms. Gibson asked the Board to consider sending a letter to Senator O'Leary and Representative Turkington supporting a senate bill regarding funding for regional transit authorities. Nantucket Regional Transit Authority Administrator Paula Leary noted the potential benefits. Planning Commission member Frank Spriggs indicated that the Planning Commission has sent a letter of support. The Board of Selectmen unanimously consented to do so as well.

Selectmen's Reports/Comment.

Mr. Chadwick shared his desire for the Board to make recommendations on warrant articles prior to Town Meeting. Discussion followed on how to proceed with Town Administration to provide a list and Board members to indicate which articles they wish to address by March 15th for the March 22, 2006 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Approved the 1st day of March 2006.